

VALERA BACK IN IRELAND WITH \$8,000,000
30 SAVED FROM FIRE NEAR VANDERBILT HOMESPET TERRIER GIVES
ALARM AND SAVES
MANY FROM FIRE

Barks Rouse 30 Occupants in
Boarding House Near
Vanderbilt Homes.

SMOKE FILLS ROOMS.

Firemen Break Through Grilled
Entrance and Get All
Inmates Out.

"Pet," a bull terrier, barked until the family of Francis C. Bonard awoke in their apartment off the basement floor at No. 19 West 52d Street, a few doors from Fifth Avenue and the homes of Frederick K. Vanderbilt and Gen. Cornelius Vanderbilt, at 3 A. M. to-day. Besides Bonard and his wife, Rose, there were their nine-year-old daughter, Ethel, and her chum Helen Craig, eight, who is visiting her during the holidays.

The apartment was so filled with smoke they could not find their way out. They were groping about in the thick cloud shouting "Fire!" when Detective O'Leary of the East 51st Street Station and Lieut. McKee of Truck No. 2, who had come in response to an alarm sent in by a citizen who had seen smoke coming from the windows, discovered their plight.

The detective and fireman had to break through the iron-grilled basement door and then through the wooden door leading into the hallway, before the Bonards and their child were released.

The four-story and basement building is a fashionable boarding house, in which thirty persons reside. The flames had started in the sub-basement in some rubbish, and the smoke had filled the house before any one was aroused. All those living above the Bonard apartment reached the street safely in their night clothes except Charles A. Conway, an advertisement writer, having two rooms on the top floor.

He awoke so late he could not reach the stairs because of the smoke and shouted for help out his back window. Firemen Frederick Hess and Thomas Fitzgerald of Truck No. 2, who had gone through No. 17 adjoining, to the rear, yard broke in the rear door and, going up to the top, let Conway to the front of the building and he went to the street down an aerial ladder.

The flames burned through the sub-basement ceiling into the Bonard apartment and wrecked it, but did not get any higher, doing a damage of \$1,500.

The commotion aroused many prominent persons in the neighborhood, in Fifth Avenue and in East and West 52d Streets but few of them went any nearer the scene than their front windows, which were filled with faces until the firemen returned to quarters.

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New York City

1920 WETTEST
IN MANY YEARS,
RECORDS SHOW

In Fact Has Never Been Equalled
—Rainfall in Boston
63.78 Inches.

BOSTON, Dec. 31.—The outgoing year, which was the first full twelvemonth under the Eighteenth Amendment, may or may not have been the "driest" in history, but meteorologically it was the wettest in many years.

The Blue Hill Observatory to-day reported an aggregate rainfall for the year of 63.78 inches, the greatest in the thirty-five years of records there.

ARMY FLYERS TO TRY
FLIGHT ACROSS U. S.

Hope to Traverse Continent, 2,079
Miles, in Less Than Twenty-
four Hours.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Army aviators will make a double attempt to fly across the United States from California in a single day on Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, it was announced to-day at the War Department. One plane piloted by Lieut. Alexander Pearson will leave Jacksonville, Fla., for San Diego, Calif., and another plane, the pilot of which has not yet been chosen, will leave San Diego for Jacksonville. Both are expected to reach their destinations in less than 24 hours.

The flyers will make stops at Houston and El Paso, Texas. The distances are: Jacksonville to Houston, 604 miles; Houston to El Paso, 660 miles; and El Paso to San Diego, 615 miles.

WILLERS CONVICTED,
GETS 5-YEAR TERM

So-Called Spy Found Guilty by
Court Martial of Desertion
From Army.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—John A. Willers, a former captain in the army, who when arrested in New York Dec. 10, was charged with desertion from the army, has been convicted by court-martial of desertion from the army and sentenced to five years in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, it was announced to-day at the War Department. Willers still is to be tried on charges of theft and embezzlement.

WALKS INTO BANK
AND TAKES \$50,000

Attacked by Officials, He Seeks
Refuge in Storeroom and Is
Killed.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 31.—An unidentified man entered the People's Bank at Springfield, Tenn., this morning and making his way unobserved to the bank vault helped himself to \$50,000 in bonds.

He stood off bank officials and wounded an officer, but taking refuge in a store room he was killed by other officers.

GREETINGS FOR PRESIDENT.

Messages Received From Kings,
Princes and Plain Americans.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—President Wilson was receiving New Year's greetings to-day from all over the world. Among those from whom messages came were King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, King Haakon of Norway, Princess Charlotte of the Duchy of Luxembourg, Grand Duke of Baden, King of Belgium, and Nathan Straus, New York.

PENROSE OPPOSES BONUS.

Chairman of Finance Committee
Also Will Fight Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Opposition to the house emergency tariff bill and to the passage at this session of the soldiers' bonus bill was indicated to-day by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, who returned to Washington yesterday after an absence of nearly a year occasioned by serious illness.

Calls for Twenty Men, 1,000 Appl. KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31.—More than 1,000 men made applications yesterday, following an advertisement of a Kansas City, Kan., contractor calling for twenty men.

CARUSO RELIEVED
BY NEW OPERATION;
DOCTORS HOPEFUL

Cannot Tell When Tenor Will
Be Able to Sing Again,
Declares Surgeon.

PROGRESS IS REPORTED.

Physicians Declare Singer Is
Doing "as Favorably
as Possible."

Dr. John F. Erdmann, the surgeon who operated last night on Enrico Caruso, to-day gave to The Evening World the following statement:

"Last night I took from Mr. Caruso fifty-two ounces of pus, a little less than half a gallon. After that I put two drain pipes in him to give continued relief. The most important aspect of the case now is the medical one. I have not seen him since last night, but shall call on him again to-night. I cannot say as to when he will be able to sing again. None of us can tell."

"Was the amount of pus unusually large?" Dr. Erdmann was asked.

"Yes," he said.

The following bulletin was given out at noon by the six physicians and surgeons in attendance on the singer:

"Mr. Caruso had a very comfortable night and is progressing as favorably as possible after his operation of last night."

Bruno Zinato, secretary to Caruso, said the singer had been "very greatly relieved" by the second operation he had undergone in forty-eight hours.

This operation was to establish a drainage from the pleural cavity, the drainage to be maintained until the condition of empyema is terminated.

In the case of Caruso, it was said, the operation varied slightly from the usual procedure, which is to remove a small portion of a rib and insert tubes for the draining. In Caruso's case, instead of cutting a rib, the drainage tube was placed between two ribs.

The "very great relief" reported by the singer's secretary was the result of the elimination of a large quantity of purulent matter. This almost instantly makes the patient more comfortable, but it is said that he will have to lie on his back for many days while the drainage continues, and the convalescent period afterward is usually long. It is regarded as practically certain that Caruso will not sing again this season.

Dr. Erdmann, Caruso's sixth physician, was called into the case yesterday afternoon and the operation immediately performed. It was done without an anesthetic. A few hours later the following bulletin was issued:

"Mr. Caruso has been successfully operated on by Dr. Erdmann for empyema. His condition is satisfactory."

The bulletin bore the signatures of Drs. Erdmann, Samuel Lambert, Antonio Stella, Evan M. Evans, Francis J. Murray and Philip Horowitz.

THE WORLD TRAVEL BUREAU.

Arrival of the World Travel Bureau, 30-35 York St., N. Y. City. Telephone: Broadway 4000. Clock room for baggage and parcels open day and night. Money orders and travelers' checks for sale.

Classified Advertisers
Important!

Classified advertising copy for The World office.

To-day, Friday
Early copy receives the preference when Sunday advertising has to be omitted. Late advertising is now omitted for lack of time to set it.

THE WORLD.

JUDGE M'INTYRE WAS DUPED
WHEN HE SIGNED \$5,000 BOND
FOR A SELF-CONFESSED THIEF

Declares Gross Misrepresentation Was Made to
Him, and Orders Bench Warrant for Gib-
ney to Raise Bail to \$25,000.

Judge McIntyre in General Sessions has issued a bench warrant for the arrest of Harry P. Gibney of No. 51 Clark Street, Brooklyn, who is under bond of \$5,000 on his confession of having stolen \$5,762 from his employer, Sidney Z. Mitchell, an investment broker of No. 71 Broadway.

Gibney, said to have influential connections, was arraigned before Magistrate Simms on Dec. 24. Magistrate Simms fixed bail at \$10,000. On the following Monday a representative of a bonding company, appeared before Judge McIntyre before whom Assistant District Attorney Sullivan was trying a case and requested the signing of a bond for \$5,000 for Gibney, who was in the Tombs. Judge McIntyre and Mr. Sullivan accepted the statement as to the amount of the bond without question, having no other information than that given to them by the bonding company in whom they had confidence.

Judge McIntyre was informed to-day he had signed a bond for half the amount set by Magistrate Simms. He said he was indignant that he had been made the subject of a gross misrepresentation, and on the motion of Assistant District Attorney Sullivan set the machinery in action to bring Gibney before the court. He stated that a new bond of not less than \$25,000 would be required.

"It is apparent," Judge McIntyre said, in signing the warrant, "that there are persons frequenting the Criminal Courts whose methods will bear a searching investigation."

TENANTS IN "AD." THANK
JUDGE FOR RENT DECISION

Publish "New Year Greeting" After Increased
Rental Suit Is Dismissed

NEW YEAR GREETINGS.

WE, the tenants of No. 72 West 95th Street, do give thanks and homage to Almighty God for the wisdom and justice which He has given to the Judge who sat in the Fifth District Municipal Court, Part II, at 10 o'clock, Dec. 30, to judge between right and wrong. May he live long and have a prosperous and happy New Year. We remain, respectfully,

YOUR TENANTS.

This advertisement is in token of the appreciation of Mrs. Mary Gumb, and eleven other dwellers in the tenement at No. 72 West 95th Street for the action of Municipal Justice William C. Wilson in the Fifth District Court yesterday.

Arthur H. Aynes leased the building last July. Since then the rent of Mrs. Gumb, who occupies four rooms, has been increased to \$24 in two advances. Yesterday Aynes summoned the twelve tenants, from all of whom he had exacted increased rents, before Justice Wilson to show cause why they should not pay still another increase beginning to-morrow. From Mrs. Gumb, whose case was regarded as typical of all, he asked \$7 a month.

Mrs. Gumb, through counsel, showed that the building was in woefully bad repair and that Aynes had refused to make changes which were essential to health and comfort. The proceeding was dismissed by Justice Wallace on her showing.

NIMBLE GIRL BOARDS SHIP
BY WAY OF THE COAL CHUTE

Mistook Whistle of Coronian at Halifax, Where
She—er—Slacked Her Thirst.

The Coronian of the Cunard Line arrived to-day from Southampton by way of Halifax, bringing 1,948 passengers, foremost among whom in beauty and pep was Miss Anna K. Woodman of London, nineteen years old, who got a drink in Halifax, which is supposed to be as dry as Sahara.

She knew how to do things like that because she had served in the transport service in the war, crossing the channel four times a week.

She thought there would be two whistles when the ship was ready to sail from Halifax, and instead there was one. So when she reached the pier the vessel was in mid-harbor, coaling. She hired a launch and got out to it just as it was starting. So they helped her aboard by way of a coal chute and all was well.

FIVE PAYROLL BANDITS SLAY
HEADS OF CLEVELAND FOUNDRY

After Killing President and Vice President
Hold-Up Men Escape With \$4,200.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 31.—W. W. Sly, President, and George J. Fanner, Vice President of the W. W. Sly Foundry Company, were murdered by five payroll bandits who escaped with \$4,200 in cash after holding up the two men at the company's plant this morning.

Sly and Fanner died instantly.

The two company officials were returning from a bank in an automobile with the weekly payroll. While crossing a bridge at the plant, two automobiles crowded the machine driven by Sly, forcing him to crash into the bridge railing to avoid a collision.

The bandits jumped out of their machines and demanded the payroll. When Sly attempted to draw a revolver the bandits shot and killed him and Fanner and then escaped in one of their cars.

Police say both cars used by the bandits were stolen.

FURTHER ARRESTS
PREDICTED SOON
IN LIQUOR PLOT

U. S. Agents Get Evidence of
Another Huge Whiskey
Ring in New York.

NATION-WIDE INQUIRY.

Fortunes Said to Have Been
Made Through Sales on
Fraudulent Permits.

Government officials who are seeking to stamp out the illegitimate trafficking in liquor in New York have amassed evidence against a second whiskey ring that has been a dominant factor in the illegal trade, and a number of arrests are shortly predicted. Agents who have been close on the trail of members of this group said to-day that it is a far more powerful organization than that broken up in the arrest of two men and two women at the Hotel McAlpin last Wednesday night.

This newly discovered whiskey ring is said to have amassed fortunes in the last few months through the use of fraudulent permits. This organization has an executive board of appointment, which arbitrarily decides as to the amount of liquor to be supplied to bootleggers and specifies certain districts in which they shall operate.

"If we can break up this second ring we believe we will have stamped out the root of the liquor evil in New York City," was the declaration of a high prohibition enforcement official to-day.

That a nation-wide inquiry into the whiskey ring scandal will be immediately instituted was indicated to-day when George Stebbenson, who was arrested Wednesday evening at the Pennsylvania Station, was taken to Washington. Anthony Poppo, charged with being associated with Stebbenson and those arrested at the McAlpin, is being held in Washington under \$10,000 bail.

At the office of Charles R. O'Connor, Federal Prohibition Director for the State of New York, it was said that there is no definite method of checking up as to the amount of whiskey which was obtained through the operations of the group of men and women now under arrest. It was explained that the telegraph system of handling liquor removals from bonded warehouses had been established but two months ago. It was through information obtained from the telegraph bureau that the whiskey ring was able to operate.

The two women arrested yesterday were employees in the office of Director O'Connor. It is said those whose arrest may take place hereafter are other employees of his office, including several women, and that the trail is expected to lead to men well known in private and official life. Complete revelations will startle the country, it was predicted to-day.

There was an understanding between the Federal officers and the warehouse people that before liquor

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THE EVENING
WORLD
Will Not Be Published
To-Morrow,
NEW YEAR'S DAY

VALERA LANDS ON IRISH SOIL,
HIS SECRETARY ANNOUNCES;
LEAVES FAREWELL MESSAGE

No Details of the "Irish President's"
Journey Made Public — Pledge to
Follow MacSwiney in Hunger
Strike Recalled.

Eamonn De Valera, "President of the Irish Republic," landed in Ireland this morning, according to the statement of Harry Boland, his Secretary, who is in this city. Boland acknowledged that his recent statements, that De Valera was somewhere near New York resting from his labors in promoting subscriptions to the bond issue of the Irish Republic were fiction, intended to cover De Valera's surreptitious return to Ireland from the British authorities.

De Valera came to this country in June 1919, without permission from the British Government and was understood to have gained passage in a liner by working as a stoker. There was an unconfirmed rumor that he sailed for home as a stoker on the Aquitania.

According to those who were intimate with his affairs in this country he carried back with him \$8,000,000 as the proceeds of the bond selling campaign.

NO ACTION YET
ON ENRIGHT AS
HEAD OF POLICE

Commissioner Has Neither Re-
signed Nor Been Removed
Up to Date.

AT 5 o'clock this afternoon Richard E. Enright had neither resigned nor been removed as Police Commissioner by Mayor Hylan or Gov. Smith.

BROOKLYN DRUNKS
SHOW AN INCREASE

Adams Street Court Has 616, as
Against 483 in the Year
of 1919.

Despite Prohibition, the Adams Street Court in Brooklyn has had more cases of drunkenness during the past year than during the previous year, according to figures compiled by Finger Print Expert Gerard Horn, and given out to-day.

In 1919, according to these figures, there were 483 cases of intoxication brought into the court, while in 1920 there were 616.

The increase by months over the previous year became marked toward the end of the present year. In December, 1919, there were 48 cases, while in the present month there have been 78.

BANKS SET NEW RECORD.

Clearing House Reports \$243,135,-
613,364 Exchanges for 1920.

The New York Clearing House Association, which comprises fifty-three of the largest bank and trust companies of this city, these in turn having world-wide ramifications, reported record operations for the calendar year.

Exchanges amounted to the colossal total of \$243,135,613.364, against \$225,402,624.887 in 1919 and \$178,225,244.782 in 1918.

Clearances totaled \$25,075,139.135, as compared with \$21,972,333.927 in 1919 and \$18,257,912.619 in 1918.

BIDS \$10 FOR 4-ROOM HOUSE.

Belongs to Shipping Board and Is
at Chester, Pa.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Bids ranging from \$10 to \$2,158,000 were received by the Shipping Board to-day for buildings offered for sale.

Charles J. Deins, Collingswood, N. J., offered the \$2,158,000 for board property at Camden. Scott Cross offered \$10 for any four-room house at Chester, Pa. M. Hepler, Cleveland, O., offered \$100,000 for 222 houses at Lorain, O. Awards will be made later.

It was recalled that just before the death of Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork at the end of a hunger strike, De Valera said publicly that if MacSwiney was allowed to die he would return to Ireland and, if arrested, would starve as had MacSwiney. Secretary Boland would not comment on the purposes of De Valera's return.

Since the arrest of Arthur Griffith, who was acting head of the Sinn Fein, the organization in Ireland has been without a chief. Premier Lloyd George was recently asked if De Valera would be allowed to return to take part in the negotiations between the British Government and the Sinn Fein. He replied that the "channels of communication with the United States were open," but made no promise.

DE VALERA LEAVES FAREWELL
MESSAGE TO AMERICA.

Mr. Boland gave out a typewritten sheet which he said was De Valera's farewell message to the United States. It was as follows:

"Land of the free and home of the brave—farewell! May you ever remain as I have known you, land of the generous hearted and the kindly. May you stand through time as they would have you who love you—liberty's champion; and oh, may you never know yourself the agony of a foreign master's lash."

"I came to you on a holy mission—the mission of freedom. I return to my people who sent me, not indeed, as I had dreamt it, with the mission accomplished, but with a message that will cheer in the dark days that have come upon them and that will inspire the acceptance of such sacrifices as must be made."

"So farewell! young, mighty, fortunate land. No wish that I can express can measure the depth of my esteem for you or my desire for your welfare and your glory. And farewell, the many dear friends I have made and the tens of thousands who, for the reason that I was the representative of a noble nation and a storied, appealing cause, gave me honors they denied to princes—you will not need to be assured that Ireland will not forget and that Ireland will not be ungrateful."

STEEL COMPANY CUTS PRICE

Reduction of \$7 a Ton on Standard
Pipe Effective To-Morrow.

A reduction of approximately \$7 a ton on standard pipe was announced to-day by the Republic Iron & Steel Company. The change in price is effective to-morrow. Other independent companies are expected to follow the Republic, according to market gossip.